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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of:

Robert Ainsworth, et al.

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For: Catheter With Optical Fiber Sensor

Examiner: William C. Jung

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Commissioner for Patents
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (a)

Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) for a one month extension of time to file this response to the Office Action mailed November 29, 2005. The extended period is set to expire on March 29, 2006. A check in the amount of \$120.00 is enclosed to cover the fee for a one month extension of time.

Please charge any shortages and credit any overages to our Deposit Account No. 02-2666.

Respectfully submitted,

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